108TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

S. 1369

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

June 27, 2003

Mr. Akaka (for himself, Mr. Warner, Mr. Allen, Mr. Sarbanes, and Ms. Mikulski) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. NEGOTIATIONS BY THE OFFICE OF PERSONNEL
- 4 **MANAGEMENT.**
- 5 (a) In General.—Section 8902 of title 5, United
- 6 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
- 7 lowing:

- 1 "(p)(1) A contract may not be made or a plan ap-
- 2 proved which does not offer to medicare eligible enrollees
- 3 prescription drug benefits the actuarial value of which is
- 4 at least equal to the actuarial value of the prescription
- 5 drug benefits which are offered to enrollees under the plan
- 6 generally.
- 7 "(2) For purposes of this subsection, the Director of
- 8 the Office of Personnel Management shall establish proc-
- 9 esses and methods for determining the actuarial value of
- 10 prescription drug benefits.".
- 11 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 12 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to contract years
- 13 beginning after the date of enactment of this Act.

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